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INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE, INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD, COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM CONTAINING

INFORMATION PROCESSING PROGRAM AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

PRODUCT

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Commissioner:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter; and
- (2) Reply and Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111.

If an Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136 is required and has not been separately requested, please consider this Transmittal Letter as including a request for such Extension of Time and as a further authorization to charge any fee for such Extension of Time, as may be required by 37 CFR §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. Also, please charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this matter to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Non Final Office Action mailed July 16, 2008 ("Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page $\underline{2}$ of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required at this time. If an extension of time is necessary to prevent abandonment of this application and is not filed herewith, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Applicants believe that no further fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. Any fees required for further extensions of time and any fees for the net addition of claims are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 14-0112.